1	BEFORE THE						
2	ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION						
3	IN THE MATTER OF: )						
4	THE ILLINOIS STATE TOLL HIGHWAY ) AUTHORITY, )						
5	Petitioner, )						
6	-vs- ) No. T14-0069						
7	WISCONSIN CENTRAL LTD. RAILROAD )						
8	Respondent. )						
9	Petition for an Order granting ) authority to replace the dual ) overhead highway grade separation)						
10	structure (#383) that carries the) Eastbound I-90 Jane Addams						
11	Memorial Tollway over the )						
12	Wisconsin Central Ltd. Railroad ) tracks (US/DOT #689648K, railroad) milepost 20.10) located in the )						
13	Village of Rosemont, Cook County,) Illinois.						
14	TITINOIS.						
15	Chicago, Illinois August 12, 2014						
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17	Met pursuant to notice at 10:00 a.m.						
18	BEFORE:						
19	TIMOTHY E. DUGGAN, Administrative Law Judge.						
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18 19	Exhibit No. 1 (T14-0069)					10		
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21	(T14-0070-007	1)				11		
22	Exhibit No. 2 (T14-0070)					13		

- 1 JUDGE DUGGAN: Pursuant to the authority vested
- 2 in me by the State of Illinois and the Illinois
- 3 Commerce Commission, I call Dockets T14-69, T14-70
- 4 and T14-71 for a hearing.
- 5 May we have the appearances for the
- 6 record, and we'll note -- first, let's take the
- 7 appearances that will be applicable to all three
- 8 cases.
- 9 Mr. Lane, your appearance first.
- 10 MR. LANE: Robert Lane, Assistant Attorney
- 11 General, on behalf of the Tollway.
- 12 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. And you're Assistant
- 13 Attorney General -- you're representing the
- 14 Petitioner in this case, and your office address and
- 15 phone number, please.
- 16 MR. LANE: It's 2700 Ogden Avenue, Downers
- 17 Grove, Illinois 60515. And my phone number is
- 18 (630) 241-6800, Extension 1530.
- 19 JUDGE DUGGAN: All right. And, Mr. Shumate,
- 20 you want to get in your appearance on behalf of UP in
- 21 Dockets T14-70 and 71?
- MR. SHUMATE: Yes, your Honor.

- 1 My name is Mack, M-A-C-K, Shumate,
- 2 S-H-U-M-A-T-E. I'm an attorney for the Union Pacific
- 3 Railroad Company.
- 4 Our offices are located at 101 North
- 5 Wacker Drive, Suite 1920, Chicago, Illinois 60606.
- 6 My telephone number is area code (312) 777-2055.
- 7 JUDGE DUGGAN: Very good.
- 8 And, Mr. Healey, do you want to get in
- 9 your appearance on behalf of Wisconsin Central in
- 10 Docket T14-0069?
- 11 MR. HEALEY: Yes.
- 12 Good morning, your Honor. Thomas
- 13 Healey, H-E-A-L-E-Y, on behalf of Wisconsin Central
- 14 Limited. My office address is 17641 South Ashland
- 15 Avenue in Homewood, Illinois 60430. Phone number,
- 16 (708) 332-4381.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: And, Mr. Vercruysse, you want to
- 18 appear on behalf of Staff in each of three Dockets,
- 19 please.
- 20 MR. VERCRUYSSE: Thank you, you Honor.
- 21 Representing Illinois Commerce
- 22 Commission Staff, Brian Vercruysse,

- 1 V-E-R-C-R-U-Y-S-S-E, with address at 527 East Capitol
- 2 Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62701. Phone number,
- $3 \quad (312) \quad 636-7760.$
- 4 Thank you, your Honor.
- 5 JUDGE DUGGAN: Very good.
- And then let the record show
- 7 that -- Mack, you're always near that speaker.
- 8 MR. SHUMATE: Sorry.
- 9 JUDGE DUGGAN: And let the record show that on
- 10 the Administrative Law Judge's own Motion that this
- 11 matter -- that these three matters are consolidated
- 12 for hearing purposes only. The Dockets remain
- 13 separated and the exhibits in each case remain
- 14 separated, and only the common evidence -- it is the
- 15 purpose of the consolidation such that there will be
- only one single transcript, but it will be -- the
- same transcript will be prepared for each case open
- 18 with a separate cover sheet for each Docket for each
- 19 of those transcripts.
- Is that agreeable, Mr. Lane?
- 21 MR. LANE: Yes, it is.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Is that agreeable, Mr. Healey?

- 1 MR. HEALEY: Yes, sir.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Shumate?
- 3 MR. SHUMATE: Yes, sir.
- 4 JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Vercruysse?
- 5 MR. VERCRUYSSE: Yes, your Honor.
- 6 JUDGE DUGGAN: Very good.
- 7 Will Mr. Skaleski, Baswell and Venice
- 8 raise your right hands.
- 9 (Witnesses sworn.)
- 10 JUDGE DUGGAN: You want to proceed, Mr. Lane?
- 11 MR. LANE: Yes.
- 12 JUDGE DUGGAN: Or we could do -- let me suggest
- 13 this. I'm sensing that there's not any objections
- 14 here, so let's go ahead and get these exhibits into
- evidence so that the presentation doesn't have to
- 16 mess with technicalities.
- MR. HEALEY: If I may, your Honor, on behalf of
- 18 Wisconsin Central, I did have an opportunity to
- 19 briefly visit with my client. I don't believe we
- 20 have objections, but there was some clarifications of
- 21 things in the exhibits that I think can be handled
- 22 briefly and off the record.

- 1 JUDGE DUGGAN: Why don't we go off the record.
- 2 MR. HEALEY: Do you want to do that now? We
- 3 can get that out of the way now?
- 4 JUDGE DUGGAN: Yeah --
- 5 MR. HEALEY: Or we can do --
- 6 JUDGE DUGGAN: Let's go off --
- 7 MR. HEALEY: -- it later.
- 8 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. I'm going to talk now.
- 9 MR. HEALEY: Yes, sir.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Brad, we're off the record.
- 11 (A discussion was held
- 12 off the record.)
- 13 JUDGE DUGGAN: We're on the record.
- 14 All right. Off the record I'll note
- that we had a discussion specifically with
- 16 Mr. Healey's concerns in T14-0069 as to exactly what
- 17 the impact of the design plans in what's going to be
- offered as Group Exhibit 1 in that case, and that we
- 19 believe that we have reached a solution to that.
- 20 So, the first thing I'll note is that
- 21 Petitioner in T14-0069 is going to offer what's been
- 22 marked as Group Exhibit 1 into evidence, which is the

- 1 front page being an aerial overview of the subject
- 2 bridge -- row bridge, the next two pages being
- designs, locations, sketches, and the fourth page
- 4 being a photograph of the bridge from ground level.
- 5 And I'll ask first, does that appear
- 6 to be an accurate description, Mr. Lane.
- 7 MR. LANE: Yes, it does.
- 8 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. And, secondly, is there
- 9 any objections to the admission of Group Exhibit 1,
- 10 Mr. Healey?
- 11 MR. HEALEY: The railroad --
- 12 JUDGE DUGGAN: In T14-0069.
- 13 MR. HEALEY: Yes. In T14-0069, Wisconsin
- 14 Central Limited has no objection to the admission of
- the toll roads proffered exhibits.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: So you're fine with resolving
- 17 the issue that we talked about off the record with
- 18 that statement; is that correct?
- 19 MR. HEALEY: Yes, your Honor. And just to make
- 20 sure the record is clear, because the plans are not
- 21 finalized, it is our intent to resolve any
- 22 discrepancy between the existing exhibit and the

- final plans with the toll road.
- 2 JUDGE DUGGAN: Is your intention with offering
- 3 this exhibit, Mr. Lane, that, in fact, the design
- 4 plans included in Group Exhibit 1, that the
- 5 construction will be in accordance with this and the
- 6 final plans will be consistent with the design plans
- 7 of T14-0069?
- 8 MR. LANE: Yes, your Honor, that's accurate.
- 9 JUDGE DUGGAN: Very good.
- So, Mr. Vercruysse, any objection.
- 11 MR. VERCRUYSSE: No objection, your Honor.
- 12 JUDGE DUGGAN: Very good. Then Group Exhibit 1
- of T14-0069 is admitted into evidence.
- 14 (Group Exhibit No. 1
- $\{T14-0069\} \text{ was admitted}$
- into evidence.)
- 17 JUDGE DUGGAN: And T14-0070 and T14-0071, there
- is -- each one is four pages, each one with an aerial
- 19 overview on the front page of the subject bridge
- 20 followed by two pages of the design plans followed by
- 21 a color photograph, except that in T14-0071 is
- 22 actually three pages of design plans followed by a

- 1 color photograph of the bridge at ground level.
- 2 And do you wish to offer those into
- 3 evidence, Mr. Lane.
- 4 MR. LANE: Yes, your Honor.
- 5 JUDGE DUGGAN: Any objection, Mr. Shumate?
- 6 MR. SHUMATE: No objection, your Honor.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Any objection, Mr. Vercruysse?
- 8 MR. VERCRUYSSE: No objection, your Honor.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Exhibit 1 in T14-0070 and 0071
- 10 are admitted into evidence.
- 11 (Exhibit No. 1
- $\{T14-0070, T14-0071\}$
- 13 were admitted into
- 14 evidence.)
- JUDGE DUGGAN: And, then, in the T14-0070 and
- 16 0071 there is also Exhibit 2, which consists of an
- 17 aerial overview of the entire stretch of the three
- 18 bridges at issue in the consolidated Dockets of
- 19 T14-0069, 70, and 71. It's simply showing their
- locations in the context of the aerial overview map.
- 21 Is that an accurate description there,
- 22 Mr. Lane?

- 1 MR. LANE: Yes, it is, your Honor.
- 2 JUDGE DUGGAN: Do you wish to offer --
- 3 MR. LANE: Yes, we wish to offer that as --
- 4 entered into evidence as Exhibit 2.
- 5 JUDGE DUGGAN: It's an identical document being
- offered in each of the cases, T14-0069 and 0071 as
- 7 Exhibit 2; is that correct?
- 8 MR. LANE: Yes, it is, your Honor.
- 9 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Mr. Shumate, any
- 10 objection?
- 11 MR. SHUMATE: No, your Honor. No objection.
- 12 JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Vercruysse, any objections?
- MR. VERCRUYSSE: No objections, your Honor.
- 14 JUDGE DUGGAN: Petition Exhibit 2 is admitted
- in T14-0070, and if I misspoke, the other Exhibit 2
- is T14-0071; is that correct, Mr. Lane?
- 17 MR. LANE: Yes, it is.
- 18 JUDGE DUGGAN: Very good.
- 19 Okay. Then Petition Exhibit 2 is
- 20 admitted in those two Dockets.

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- 1 (Petition Exhibit No. 2
- into evidence.)
- 4 JUDGE DUGGAN: Do you want to proceed,
- 5 Mr. Lane?
- 6 MR. LANE: Yes.
- 7 DAVID V. SKALESKI,
- 8 called as a witness, having been first duly sworn,
- 9 was examined and testified as follows:
- 10 EXAMINATION
- 11 BY
- 12 MR. LANE:
- 13 Q Mr. Skaleski, would you state your name and
- 14 spell it for the record, please.
- 15 A Yes. It's David Skaleski, S-K-A-L-E-S-K-I.
- 16 Q And what is your occupation?
- 17 A I am a civil engineer.
- 18 Q And what are your responsibilities with
- 19 respect to the tollway projects at issue here this
- 20 morning?
- 21 A I am the project manager for Parsons
- 22 Brinckerhoff who is a DSC representing the tollway on

- 1 Contract 4015, which is the design contract that
- 2 extends from Oakton to the Kennedy Expressway, which
- 3 includes the bridges that we're discussing here
- 4 today.
- 5 Q And are you familiar with the three bridges
- 6 that are at issue here this morning?
- 7 A Yes, I am.
- 8 Q And would you describe what the other
- 9 projects consist of?
- 10 A Sure. Absolutely.
- 11 First of all, the bridges are being
- 12 widened due to the improvement of deconstruction of
- widening of the I-90 Jane Addams Tollway.
- 14 The first bridge, 539/540, those
- 15 bridges are crossing dual Union Pacific Railroad
- 16 tracks --
- 17 JUDGE DUGGAN: Tell you what, before we start
- 18 talking about the bridges by numbers, we should
- 19 probably place into evidence which Dockets are
- 20 relevant to which number of bridges by testimony. Or
- 21 we can stipulate to it.
- 22 MR. DAVID SKALESKI: 70 is 539/540, right?

- JUDGE DUGGAN: T14-0069 is Bridge --
- 2 Mr. Skaleski?
- 3 MR. DAVID SKALESKI: Yes. 69 is the Wisconsin
- 4 Central.
- 5 JUDGE DUGGAN: Hold on --
- 6 MR. LANE: Bridge 383.
- 7 MR. DAVID SKALESKI: That's 383, and that's --
- 8 JUDGE DUGGAN: Hold on. Hold on. Can you hear
- 9 me up there?
- 10 MR. DAVID SKALESKI: Sure.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: I need to make a record here and
- 12 I need to do it in an orderly fashion.
- 13 In T14-0069 the bridge at issue is
- 14 referred to as Bridge 383 Eastbound over I-90; is
- 15 that correct?
- 16 MR. DAVID SKALESKI: That is correct.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: In Docket T14-0071 the bridges
- 18 at issue are No. 541 and 542, being bridges in both
- 19 directions over I-90; is that correct?
- 20 MR. DAVID SKALESKI: Yes, that's correct.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: In Docket T14-0071 the bridges
- 22 at issue are No. 539 and 540, once again, being in

- both directions over I-90, correct?
- MR. DAVID SKALESKI: Yes, that's correct.
- 3 JUDGE DUGGAN: All right. Good enough.
- 4 Mr. Lane, do you want to continue?
- 5 BY MR. LANE:
- 6 Q Mr. Skaleski, if you would continue with
- 7 your description of the projects.
- 8 A Sure. I'll start with 539/540 since it's
- 9 on the western part of the project.
- 10 That is in an existing three-span
- 11 structure, which will be replaced with a single-span
- 12 structure with walls at this location. And it will
- 13 accommodate both the horizontal and vertical
- 14 clearances required for the contract.
- The project will -- the outside part
- 16 of the bridge will be built in 2015. The inside of
- 17 the bridge will be built in 2016. The UP comments to
- 18 date have all been addressed. Protective shielding
- 19 and flagging will be required in the contract.
- 20 Interruptions to train traffic are not expected and
- 21 we are also providing at this location under-bridge
- 22 lighting, which was requested by the UP Railroad,

- 1 which we are including in our project. And that
- 2 pretty much summarizes 539 and 540.
- 3 541 and 542 is also an existing
- 4 three-span structure that will be replaced by a
- 5 single-span structure with walls and also
- 6 accommodating the horizontal / vertical clearances as
- 7 required in the contract.
- 8 The construction will follow similar
- 9 to the previous bridges. The outside will be done in
- 10 2015. The inside will be done in 2016. We are
- 11 providing the appropriate flagging for protective
- 12 shielding and all requirements to maintain traffic
- 13 during and after construction. All comments from UP
- 14 Railroad have been addressed to date. And there will
- be no under-bridge lighting; we have received the
- 16 waiver from UP on this issue, and we are moving
- 17 forward with the hundred percent plans on both these
- 18 sections of bridges.
- The next section of bridges are for
- 20 Wisconsin Central. That's the eastbound Bridge 383.
- 21 That's an existing five-span structure that will be
- 22 replaced in kind with slope walls. We will also

- 1 provide the appropriate protective shielding and
- 2 flagging to accommodate train traffic during
- 3 construction, and there will be no impacts to train
- 4 traffic during or after construction on this project.
- 5 And, as earlier mentioned, there is a right-of-way
- 6 needs to the south that we're working with CN
- 7 railroad on in terms of negotiation for those
- 8 parcels.
- 9 And that's a summary of all the
- 10 different bridges that we've talked about earlier
- 11 today.
- 12 Q Thank you.
- MR. LANE: Your Honor, we don't have anything
- 14 else besides the Summary and the exhibits that were
- 15 entered into evidence earlier.
- 16 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Mr. Skaleski, would you
- 17 spell your name?
- 18 MR. DAVID SKALESKI: It's S-K-A-L-E-S-K-I.
- 19 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. And each of these bridges
- 20 are to be constructed in accordance with the design
- 21 plans submitted as -- in each Docket, correct?
- MR. DAVID SKALESKI: Correct.

- JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Shumate, any questions?
- 2 MR. SHUMATE: Yes, your Honor.
- 3 Mr. Skaleski, just a couple of quick
- 4 questions here.
- 5 EXAMINATION
- 6 BY
- 7 MR. SHUMATE:
- 8 Q In referring to the exhibits that the
- 9 Tollway has offered today, for Bridge No. 539 and 540
- in T14-0070, did your firm prepare these plans?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q And the firm's name is Parsons
- 13 Brinckerhoff?
- 14 A Correct.
- 15 Q And you were hired by the Illinois
- 16 Department of -- excuse me -- the Illinois State
- 17 Tollway Authority to prepare these plans?
- 18 A Correct.
- 19 Q And were they prepared by engineers
- 20 licensed to practice in the State of Illinois?
- 21 A Yes.
- Q And it's -- I'm going to ask the same type

- of questions for Bridges 541 and 542 in T14-0071.
- 2 Those exhibits and those plans were
- 3 also prepared either by you or by individuals under
- 4 your direction at Parsons Brinckerhoff?
- 5 A Correct.
- 6 Q And that was pursuant to contract with the
- 7 Illinois State Tollway Authority -- Highway
- 8 Authority?
- 9 A Correct.
- 10 O Okay.
- 11 MR. SHUMATE: No further questions, your Honor.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Vercruysse?
- MR. VERCRUYSSE: Your Honor, a few questions.
- 14 Thank you.
- 15 EXAMINATION
- 16 BY
- 17 MR. VERCRUYSSE:
- 18 Q Mr. Skaleski, you testified that the
- 19 vertical clearance or clearance requirements will be
- 20 met.
- 21 Did you mean that the Administrative
- 22 Code Requirements of Section 1500 would be --

- 1 A Yes. Correct. That's correct.
- 3 or greater?
- 4 A Yes. Correct.
- 5 Q And the horizontal clearance would be 9
- 6 feet or greater from the center line of track?
- 7 A Oh, yes. Correct.
- 8 Q The need for the project is
- 9 capacity-related and to serve additional volumes of
- 10 vehicles; is that correct?
- 11 A That is correct.
- 12 Q Do you -- number of lanes of travel in each
- 13 direction. How many lanes are currently in place on
- 14 the structure --
- 15 A Three lanes.
- 16 O -- in each direction?
- 17 A In each direction. Correct.
- 18 Q And then how many will be provided?
- 19 A Four.
- 20 O Four will. And that will handle up to
- about 80,000 vehicles per day; is that correct?
- 22 A Approximately. Yes.

- 1 Q Okay.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Brian, I missed that last thing.
- 3 I heard three and then I heard four.
- 4 MR. VERCRUYSSE: The four -- it will be four
- 5 lanes in each direction with the proposed
- 6 improvement. And then the second question was
- 7 relative to the average daily traffic per day. That
- 8 will accommodate anywhere from about approximately
- 9 80,0000 vehicles per day.
- 10 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. What was "three"?
- 11 MR. VERCRUYSSE: Three -- existing is 3 lanes
- 12 in each direction.
- 13 JUDGE DUGGAN: Is that the roadway also in
- 14 general?
- MR. VERCRUYSSE: That's correct. Yes.
- 16 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. So even the roadway is
- 17 going to be four and the bridge is going to be four?
- 18 MR. DAVID SKALESKI: Yes.
- 19 MR. VERCRUYSSE: Yes. Correct.
- 20 JUDGE DUGGAN: And that's with each of the
- 21 three bridges, correct?
- MR. VERCRUYSSE: Correct.

- JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Skaleski?
- 2 MR. DAVID SKALESKI: Yes. Correct.
- 3 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Thank you, Brian.
- 4 MR. VERCRUYSSE: Thank you.
- 5 BY MR. VERCRUYSSE:
- 6 Q And so we've hit the vertical clearance and
- 7 horizontal clearance requirements to capacity.
- In terms of the project's schedule,
- 9 can you just highlight when your anticipated letting
- 10 is for the Tollway project?
- 11 A The letting for the UP bridges will be
- 12 towards the end of October. I don't know the exact
- 13 date offhand.
- 14 The letting for the Wisconsin Central
- is later in the year; I believe Sept -- December.
- MR. HESLINGA: December.
- MR. DAVID SKALESKI: December, yes.
- MR. VERCRUYSSE: Okay, and thank you.
- 19 BY MR. VERCRUYSSE:
- 20 Q And, as you testified, the outside will be
- 21 constructed in 2015?
- 22 A Correct.

- 1 Q And 2016 --
- 2 A -- will be inside.
- 3 Q So a completion date of December 31st, 2016
- 4 would suffice or do you think it should be longer?
- 5 A 16?
- 6 Q Correct.
- 7 A Yeah. It's planned to be completed before
- 8 then -- substantial and the final completion date.
- 9 Q Okay.
- 10 MR. VERCRUYSSE: That's all I have.
- 11 Thank you, your Honor. Thank you,
- 12 Mr. Skaleski.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: When you say "the inside," what
- 14 does that mean?
- MR. DAVID SKALESKI: The bridge will be staged,
- where in 2015 the bridges will be worked on on the
- 17 outside to widen to the outside, and then in the
- 18 subsequent year, 2016, the inside work will be done.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: So by "the outside," meaning how
- 20 many lanes?
- MR. DAVID SKALESKI: Three lanes. There'll be
- 22 enough for three lanes so we can stage the traffic

- 1 and shift traffic over. So in the subsequent year
- 2 you can do work on the inside.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay.
- 4 Mr. Healey?
- 5 MR. HEALEY: I have no questions for the
- 6 witness, your Honor.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Anything further, Mr. Lane?
- 8 MR. LANE: No. Nothing more, your Honor.
- 9 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay.
- 10 Mr. Shumate, any witnesses?
- 11 MR. SHUMATE: Yes. I have John Venice. I'd
- 12 like to call him, please.
- JOHN VENICE,
- 14 called as a witness, having been first duly sworn,
- was examined and testified as follows:
- 16 EXAMINATION
- 17 BY
- MR. SHUMATE:
- 19 Q Mr. Venice, would you state your name for
- 20 the record.
- 21 A First name is John, J-O-H-N, last name is
- 22 Venice, spelled V-, as in victory, -E-N-I-C-E.

- 1 Q Mr. Venice, by whom are you currently
- 2 employed?
- 3 A The Union Pacific Railroad Company.
- 4 Q And in what department are you employed?
- 5 A I'm in the Engineering Department.
- 6 Q And how long have you been in the
- 7 Engineering Department?
- 8 A Just over eight years.
- 9 Q And how long have you worked for the Union
- 10 Pacific Railroad and/or its predecessors?
- 11 A Fifteen and a half years.
- 12 Q Are you familiar with the petitions that
- 13 have been filed in this matter?
- 14 A Yes, I am.
- 15 Q And there's two matters, correct?
- 16 A There are two.
- 17 Q Okay. And have preliminary plans been
- 18 submitted to the Union Pacific Railroad for their
- 19 review?
- 20 A Yes, they have.
- 21 Q Have they been approved at the stage that
- they're in?

- 1 A They have been approved. 60 percent design
- 2 plans are fully approved by Union Pacific Railroad.
- 3 Q Okay. Is it contemplated that a standard
- 4 Construction and Maintenance Agreement will be
- 5 entered into between the Union Pacific Railroad and
- 6 the Illinois State Tollway Highway Authority for
- 7 these two projects?
- 8 A Yes, that's correct.
- 9 Q And what are the type of costs that are
- 10 expected that Union Pacific may incur during the
- 11 construction of this project?
- 12 A Well, the only cost that the Union Pacific
- 13 would incur would be to provide a Union Pacific flag
- 14 person and also for our design plan review of the
- 15 plan submissions by the Illinois Tollway.
- 16 O Under the Construction and Maintenance
- 17 Agreement, does it specifically provide that a
- 18 contract or Right of Entry Agreement would be
- 19 required for any maintenance in the future of the
- 20 structure?
- 21 A Yes. We would expect a contract or Right
- of Entry be completed by the Tollway's contractor.

- 1 O And with regard to the -- all the
- 2 structures that are before the Judge today, will the
- 3 maintenance of those structures be the responsibility
- 4 of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority?
- 5 A Yes, sir.
- 6 Q Will the Union Pacific have any maintenance
- 7 responsibilities with regard to any of these
- 8 structures?
- 9 A No, sir.
- 10 Q Is there anything I've failed to ask you
- 11 that you think would be helpful to the Hearing
- 12 Officer in this matter?
- 13 A No, sir.
- 14 O Okay.
- MR. SHUMATE: No further questions, your Honor.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Let's go off the record.
- 17 (A discussion was held
- off the record.)
- 19 JUDGE DUGGAN: Off the record, I had a quick
- 20 discussion with regard to the costs and the
- intentions of the costs and it was represented by
- 22 Mr. Shumate that the Railroad would, in fact, incur

- 1 costs for review of the design plans in various
- 2 stages and also for flagging. And Mr. Healey agreed
- 3 with that in addition to the potential that, with
- 4 Mr. Healey's case, they have a land acquisition issue
- 5 that I believe is different than what is at issue
- 6 today.
- 7 But we note that just for the
- 8 clarification that -- other than that, and that
- 9 Mr. Lane, you agreed that the Petitioner, the
- 10 Illinois State Toll Highway Authority has agreed to
- 11 be responsible for all costs of construction of the
- 12 structures, these Dockets, as well as reimbursement
- 13 to the Railroads for their engineers' review of the
- 14 design plans at various stages and flagging.
- 15 Is that your understanding and your
- 16 stipulation, Mr. Lane?
- 17 MR. LANE: Yes, your Honor. That's accurate.
- 18 JUDGE DUGGAN: Very good.
- Okay. Mr. Shumate, you had another
- 20 question?
- 21 MR. SHUMATE: Yes, I'd just like to re-call
- 22 Mr. Venice.

- 1 Mr. Venice, I have one additional for
- 2 you.
- 3 MR. JOHN VENICE: Yes, sir.
- 4 FURTHER EXAMINATION
- 5 BY
- 6 MR. SHUMATE:
- 7 Q Based on the plans that have been submitted
- 8 thus far, does the Illinois State Toll Highway
- 9 Authority have all the real property interests it
- 10 requires to construct both of those structures?
- 11 A Yes, they do.
- 12 Q So no additional property would be required
- 13 from -- or property interests would be required of
- the Union Pacific to your knowledge?
- 15 A No, they won't need any property.
- 16 Q Okay. Thank you.
- 17 JUDGE DUGGAN: Very good.
- Mr. Lane, anything further?
- 19 MR. LANE: No. Nothing more, your Honor.
- 20 JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Healey, anything further?
- 21 MR. HEALEY: Nothing further, your Honor.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Shumate?

- 1 MR. SHUMATE: Nothing, your Honor.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Vercruysse?
- 3 MR. VERCRUYSSE: Your Honor, just one point for
- 4 the record.
- 5 How many trains operate per day for
- 6 each railroad, the different bridge locations? I'd
- 7 just like to have that on the record.
- 8 If I could ask Mr. Venice, how many
- 9 trains at each of these structures?
- 10 MR. JOHN VENICE: Sure. I'll start with
- 11 T14-0070, which is Structures 539 and 540. It's the
- 12 Union Pacific Milwaukee Subdivision and approximately
- 13 20 freight trains a day operate at a timetable speed
- of a maximum 50 miles an hour.
- 15 T14-0071, Structures 541 and 542, the
- 16 train count is approximately one train per week at a
- 17 maximum speed of 10 miles an hour. All freight
- 18 trains, no passenger or Amtrak.
- 19 MR. VERCRUYSSE: Great. Thank you, very much,
- 20 Mr. Venice. And I'll hold until we ask the Wisconsin
- 21 Central or their witness is brought forth if they
- 22 intend.

- 1 Is that okay, your Honor?
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Are we going to have a witness
- 3 or you just want to answer that question, Mr. Healey?
- 4 Or what do you -- how do you want to do that?
- 5 MR. HEALEY: I don't think we prepared the
- 6 information. I can tell you -- I believe there's 22
- 7 Metras out there a day is the Metra schedule. And I
- 8 don't -- with the JA acquisition I'm not sure how
- 9 many freights are left.
- 10 MR. DAVID SKALESKI: I meant earlier when the
- 11 project started, and at the time it was 12 freight
- 12 trains per day. I met with Patrick --
- MR. HEALEY: Okay. Pat Jones.
- 14 MR. SKALESKI: -- and that's what he had given
- 15 me.
- MR. HEALEY: And did he give you --
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Is that going to be good enough,
- 18 Mr. Venice, if -- or Mr. Vercruysse?
- 19 Let's have Mr. Skaleski attest to that
- and the source of his knowledge. At least that will
- 21 be on the record that way.
- 22 MR. HEALEY: Okay.

- 1 JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Skaleski, did you have a
- 2 discussion with someone as to the number of trains
- 3 and the empty location in the 1469 Docket?
- 4 MR. DAVID SKALESKI: Right. I met with Patrick
- 5 Jones earlier in the project --
- 6 JUDGE DUGGAN: Who is Patrick Jones?
- 7 MR. HEALEY: I can it put on the record.
- 8 Patrick Jones is our former Public Works Manager
- 9 responsible for this territory.
- 10 JUDGE DUGGAN: And would he have any
- information as to the number of trains going through
- 12 the -- under the bridge at the location at issue in
- 13 Docket 1469, Mr. Healy?
- 14 MR. HEALEY: He would have access to that
- information within the company. Yes.
- 16 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. And you'd stipulate to
- 17 that, correct?
- MR. HEALEY: Yes, your Honor.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay, Mr. Skaleski, What did Mr.
- 20 Jones tell you?
- MR. SKALESKI: He indicated there were 12
- 22 freight trains per day. And at the time he had

- 1 indicated that there were 26 Metra trains but I
- 2 believe it's 22 because I just recently checked. So
- 3 it is 22.
- 4 JUDGE DUGGAN: So a 12 freight is the source of
- 5 Mr. -- of the personnel for the Railroad, and your 22
- 6 regarding Metra's source is where?
- 7 MR. SKALESKI: I had looked on, actually, the
- 8 Metra Web site and it confirmed 22, and that confirms
- 9 what was said earlier here.
- 10 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. So 12 freight at 22 Metra
- 11 per day at the bridge location at 1469.
- 12 Is that your testimony, Mr. Skaleski?
- MR. DAVID SKALESKI: Yes.
- 14 JUDGE DUGGAN: You think that's satisfactory,
- 15 Mr. Vercruysse?
- 16 MR. VERCRUYSSE: Yes, it is, your Honor. Thank
- 17 you very much.
- 18 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Anything else,
- 19 Mr. Healey?
- MR. HEALEY: No, your Honor.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Very good.
- Okay. I want to see if we want to

- 1 waive ex parte prohibition for the propose of getting
- 2 an Order prepared in these cases.
- 3 Mr. Lane?
- 4 MR. LANE: Yes.
- 5 JUDGE DUGGAN: As with any cause in a judicial
- 6 proceeding, the people -- the parties can't be
- 7 individually talking to me. And, in fact, I think
- 8 the rules also have a prohibition on talking with
- 9 Staff to some extent after petitions -- and so that
- 10 we may all work together, including Mr. Vercruysse
- 11 and I, would ask that you waive that ex parte
- 12 prohibition with the understanding that they are for
- 13 the purpose of drafting an Agreed Order.
- Is that agreed, Mr. Lane?
- MR. LANE: Yes, it is.
- 16 JUDGE DUGGAN: Okay. Mr. Shumate?
- 17 MR. SHUMATE: Yes, the Union Pacific agrees to
- 18 waive ex parte communications as outlined.
- 19 JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Healey?
- 20 MR. HEALEY: Wisconsin Central also agrees with
- 21 that stipulation.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: And, Mr. Vercruysse?

- 1 MR. VERCRUYSSE: Staff agrees with the
- 2 stipulation, also.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Very good.
- 4 Okay. Now let's go off the record.
- 5 (A discussion was held
- off the record.)
- 7 JUDGE DUGGAN: Back on the record.
- 8 Off the record Mr. Vercruysse has
- 9 offered to do the initial drafts in each case and
- 10 then work with Mr. Lane and then myself at which
- 11 point we will hopefully include everybody and get
- 12 everybody on board.
- 13 And bear in mind again, that we're not
- 14 going to get an Order until October 13th no matter
- 15 what -- well, just there's no emergency. But my turn
- in date is at least two weeks before that.
- 17 So even though we are not up against a
- 18 wall at this point, obviously it's in everybody's
- 19 interest to keep things moving. So with that in
- 20 mind, if there's nothing else I'm going to ask the
- 21 record be marked heard and taken.
- Mr. Lane, is there anything else?

- 1 MR. LANE: No, nothing more from the Tollway,
- 2 your Honor.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Shumate?
- 4 MR. SHUMATE: Nothing more from the Union
- 5 Pacific Railroad, your Honor.
- 6 JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Healey?
- 7 MR. HEALEY: Wisconsin Central has nothing
- 8 further, your Honor.
- 9 JUDGE DUGGAN: Mr. Vercruysse?
- 10 MR. VERCRUYSSE: Nothing else from Staff, your
- Honor.
- JUDGE DUGGAN: Very good. The record's marked
- 13 heard and taken. Thank you.
- 14 HEARD AND TAKEN.

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